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SUBJECT: 1974 INTERNATIONAL DISASTER PREPAREDNESS SEMINAR

REFERENCE: STATE 246405

1. FDRC INVITES RENE TORRES BARALT, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, FUNDASOCIAL AND DIRECTOR, VENEZUELA CIVIL DEFENSE TO ASSIST AS STAFF-PARTICIPANT 1974 INTERNATIONAL DISASTER SEMINAR.

2. TORRES EXPERIENCES IN VENEZUELA DISASTER PLANNING WILL BE MOST USEFUL IN ASSISTING IN DEVELOPING PLANS OTHER DISASTER PRONE COUNTRIES.

3. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, WE ARE REPEATING TO VENEZUELA UNDER SEPARATE COVER STATE INVITATIONAL CABLE 246405 SENT TO 26 OTHER COUNTRIES.

4. IF EMBASSY AND GOV CONCUR, SUGGEST TORRES PLAN ARRIVE WASHINGTON O/A MAY 10, 1974. SHOULD PLAN TO ASSIST FOR APPROXIMATELY 3 WEEKS OF 6 WEEK SEMINAR.

5. DURING SEVENTH WORLD CIVIL DEFENSE CONFERENCE IN CARACAS, VENEZUELAN DISASTER OFFICIALS INDICATED A DESIRE TO SEND A SECOND VENEZUELAN PARTICIPANT. (THIS IN UNCLASSIFIED

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ADDITION TO TORRES). FDRC WOULD WELCOME SECOND

PARTICIPANT, HOWEVER, RECOMMEND EMBASSY CONSIDER SUGGESTION TRAVEL AND PER DIEM COSTS FOR SECOND PARTICIPANT BE BORNE BY VENEZUELAN CIVIL DEFENSE. COST ESTIMATE FOLLOWS:

A. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

B. PER DIEM AT DOLLARS 30 PER DAY FOR PERIOD MAY 13 THRU JUNE 22.

C. IN-COUNTRY (U.S.) TRAVEL APPROXIMATELY DOLLARS 400 (SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING TICKET ISSUANCE WILL FOLLOW ACCEPTANCE NOMINEE).

D. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES DOLLARS 100 (FEES, BOOKS, MEMBERSHIPS, ETC.) RUSH

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